



CALS ROYALTY DISTRIBUTION POLICY

1.5, Inventions and Related Property Rights

Policy Statement

Cornell University requires inventors to assign to the university or its designee all rights and titles of their inventions and related property rights that result from activity conducted in the course of an appointment with the university and/or using university resources, including those provided through an externally funded grant, contract, or other type of award or gift to the university.

Entities Affected by this Policy

All units of the university

Policy Information

- **Responsible Executives:** Vice Provost for Research
- **Responsible Offices:** Cornell Center for Technology, Enterprise, and Commercialization (CCTEC)
- **Dates:** *Issued:* July 1, 1995; *Last Updated:* January 14, 2008
- **Contact:** Your local college or unit administrative office or the [Cornell Center for Technology, Enterprise, and Commercialization \(CCTEC\)](#)

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All CALS staff and faculty are subject to the above listed policy. The distribution of all license revenue provided for in Policy 1.5 is as follows:

In the case of a Cornell invention, the university, through CCTEC, will receive all license revenue and, in recognition of the efforts and contributions of the inventor, distribute total net license revenue as follows:

1. One-third (33.3 percent) to the university inventor(s) in recognition of their contribution. In the case of university co-inventors, this distribution will be shared.
2. One-third (33.3 percent) will be divided as follows: (a) 60 percent to the inventor's research budget, sub-unit (typically the inventor's department, school, section, or center) and university unit (typically the inventor's college) in a manner to be determined by the dean of the unit (or, for research centers in the Research Division, the Vice Provost for Research), and (b) 40 percent to the university for general research support.
3. One-third (33.3 percent) to the university to provide CCTEC with operating funds to cover the cost of service provided to the university with regard to intellectual property matters and particularly to cover direct costs, where license revenue or other cost recovery has not been achieved.

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences will distribute the monies provided for under item #2 in the following manner:

Beginning July 1, 2010, the college will distribute funds it receives under this policy (item #2 above) in the following manner:

1. Fifty percent will be retained by the college to be used at the discretion of the Dean
2. Fifty percent will be distributed to the department/school/division of the inventor to be used at the discretion of the chair of the department or director of the school or division.